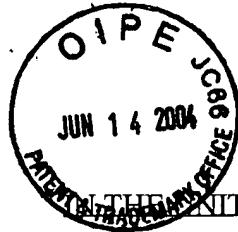


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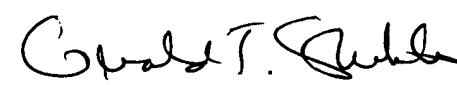
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Sir:

The Office Action of January 8, 2004 has been carefully reviewed and the following amendments and remarks are made in response thereto.

A Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 CFR 1.136(a) is enclosed.